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Staff Additions Announced; Seven New Positions Taken

Seven appointments to the staff of Longwood College for the 1956-57 session, two retirements, and one resignation were announced recently by President Francis G. Lankford, Jr.

Dr. Gardner Blake Taplin, of Newton, Mass., has been appointed associate professor of English to take the place of Miss Nancy Foster, who will retire after teaching twenty-nine years in the English department.

Mrs. Blanche C. Badger, of Mountsville, S. C., will assume duties as associate professor of mathematics to replace Mrs. Ann H. DeMuth, of Farmville, who accepted temporary appointment for the 1955-56 session.

Gary Seamans Dunbar, of Avon, N. Y., has been added to the staff as an instructor in geography and social sciences.

A. Ray Merchent, of Roanoke, has been appointed director of public relations to succeed Mrs. Meade L. Shackelford, who has resigned to accept a position in information and public relations with a public service organization in Richmond. Her appointment to this position has not been announced.

Mrs. Frances Walmsley Gee, of Farmville, will fill the position of instructor of home economics in the place of Mrs. Lucy Smith Green, of Farmville, who had a temporary appointment for the current semester.

A new position of secretary created in the Bureau of Teaching Materials will be filled by Mrs. Constance Hubbard Gills, of Farmville. Charles H. Patterson, Jr., assistant professor of education and a member of the bureau staff will devote full time to teaching and directing student teaching at the elementary level.

Mrs. Beulah W. Eva, of Mohawk, N. Y., now a house mother at Adrian College, Mich., will become a college hostess on the retirement of Mrs. Cynthia Z. Green who first became associated with the college in 1948.

Dr. Taplin, whose teaching fields are Victorian and American literature, is a lecturer in English at Boston University and was an assistant professor of English at Indiana State University from 1946-53. He holds the Ph. D. and A. M. degrees from Harvard University and A. B. from Amherst College. He is at present writing a biography on Elizabeth Barrett Browning to be published by the Yale University Press in the fall, and has already published several articles on Mrs. Browning's works.

Comes from Tennessee

Mrs. Badger will come to Longwood from Tennessee Polytechnic Institute, where she is an assistant professor. She has taught at Florida State University, Memphis State College, and McMurry College. She has an M. A. degree from the University of Tennessee, and A. B. degree from Winthrop College. She expects to receive a Ph. D. degree from George Peabody College in June.

Mr. Dunbar has been a graduate assistant at Louisiana State University for the past three years where he expects to receive a Ph. D. degree in June. He received the M. A. and B. A. degrees from the University of Virginia.

An assistant in the office of student aid and placement at the University of Virginia, Mr. Merchent is working toward his doctorate there. He holds a M. Ed degree from the University of Virginia and A. B. degree from Emory and Henry College.

Miss Foster, an assistant professor of English has taught at Longwood Collge since 1927, and has for many years advised the staff of the "Virginian," college yearbook, on editorial work. Before coming to Longwood she taught in high schools in Mississippi, Texas, and Arkansas. She has a M. A. degree from the University of Virginia and A. B. from Mississippi State College. She will retire to her home in Greenville, Miss.

'Gate of Hell' Seen By Many Viewers; Praised by Critics

"Distinguished theater," says Newsweek of the last of the Better Films series that is playing this Wednesday at the State Theatre. Winner of the Grand Prize at the Cannes Film Festival in 1954, "Gate of Hell" is the first Japanese film in color to be released in the U. S. Film critic for Time magazine says, "Western moviegoers will experience the pure delight of soothing their eyeballs, scorched by so many Technicolored prairie fires, with a rainbow hung in a legendary mist."

Set in ancient Japan, the story of "Gate of Hell" is concerned with a Japanese soldier's burning desire to possess a lady of rank, married already to a Japanese countier. The soldier, driven by his maddening lust, plots the death of the husband. Knowing the soldier's intent, the wife plants herself in her husband's place, sacrificing her life for his.

Daiei Studios, in preparing for this film, sent representatives to the U. S. to study color with the Eastman Company, and it is the application of the Eastman color that makes the picture of note. Saturday Review has this to say, "It is the psychological use of color—the awareness of how emotionally effective color can become in films—that makes this picture of supreme importance."

Kasuo Hasegawa plays the part of the soldier Moritah. Lady Kesa is portrayed by Machiko Yo, and her husband Wataru is Isao Yamagata. They are all superb performers. Teinosuka Kinugasa wrote and directed the movie.

Georgia Jackson, president of the Senior Class, has been selected as Longwood's representative graduate to appear in the Richmond News Leader's annual spring feature, "Outstanding Graduates from Virginia Colleges." Georgia has been active in many campus organizations and activities during her four years here.

Foster, Miller Awarded Top Recognition

by LINDA DOLES

(Agee Studio, Farmville, Va.)

Mary Ann Foster and Rubinette Miller as roommates present a double threat in the field of 4-H achievement, leadership and service.

When it comes to 4-H'ers Longwood is well-represented locally and nationally. We are fortunate in having on our campus two very earnest and successful 4-H workers, Mary Ann Foster and Rubinette Miller. Recently both have been awarded top honors for their faithful and enthusiastic services in their work. Mary Ann, winning the highest award offered, will attend the all-expenses paid National 4-H camp in Washington, D. C., this summer. Rubinette has been selected to represent Virginia at the National leadership camp in Michigan this summer.

Both girls who are sophomores, and incidently roommates, are well known on the campus for their friendliness and qualities of leadership. For the past 10 years both have been prominent figures in all types of 4-H work.

Mary Ann, a business education major, is from Poquoson. She attended high school there and has always been active in 4-H work. In 1951 she was chosen to be in the 4-H All-Stars. In 1953 she won a watch for her district farm home electricity work. The same year she was the state winner in 4-H achievements and also attended the short course as recreational leader at the University of Rhode Island. Selected from her high school she attended Girls' State and was elected treasurer. In 1954 Mary Ann attended the National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago and while

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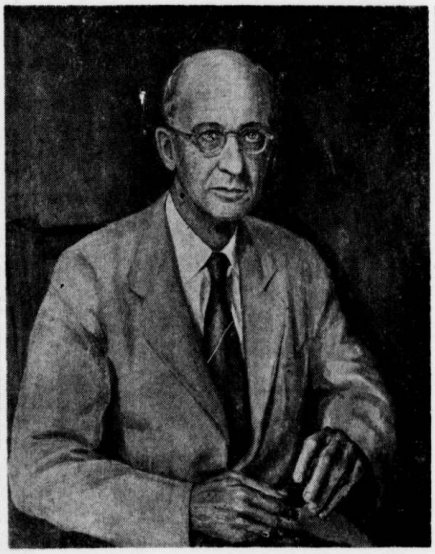
Seventy - Second Commencement Planned For June 2-3 In Jarman



DR. DABNEY S. LANCASTER

Lancaster To Deliver Graduation Address

The Seventy-Second Commencement Exercises of Longwood College will be held in Jarman Auditorium June 2 and 3, when President Francis G. Lankford, Jr., will confer degrees on 104 graduates.

The commencement address will be delivered by Dr. Dabney S. Lancaster, President Emeritus, at 3 p.m. Sunday, June 3; and the Reverend A. Purnell Bailey, pastor of the Centenary Methodist Church of Richmond will give the baccalaureate sermon at 11 a.m. the same day.

The two-day program will open at 3 p.m. Saturday, June 2, with the Senior Class Day exercises, when Miss Georgia Jackson, of Lexington, will present the address of welcome and Miss Dorothy Rector, of Arlington, will give the history of the graduating class. Following the induction of the graduates into the Alumnae Association by Mrs. Francis Butler Simkins, president of the Longwood Alumnae Association, a daisy chain will be formed by the seniors and their litte sisters.

A reception for the friends and families of the graduates will be given by Dr. and Mrs. Lankford in the president's house at 8:30 p.m. and a lantern parade will be held on the campus at 10:30 p.m.

The invocation at the baccalaureate service, to be held in Jarman Auditorium at 11 a. m., June 3, will be given by Dr. H. Conrad Blackwell, superintendent of the Farmville Disirict of the Methodist Church. The Longwood Choir, conducted by Dr. John W. Molnar, will sing "Like a Shepherd God Doth Lead Us" by Bach prior to the Reverend Mr. Bailey's baccalaureate sermon.

An academic procession of the graduates and the faculty of the college will proceed from the Student Building to Jarman Auditorium at 3 p.m. for the commencement exercises. The invocation will be delivered by the Reverend Charles O. Kidd, pastor of the Farmville Methodist Church. Following Dr. Lancaster's address, the Longwood Choir will sing Mendelssohn's "Ye Sons of Israel," Dr. Lankford will then confer degrees on the graduates and announce the names of the honor graduates. The program will close with Lutkin's "Choral Benediction" by the Longwood Ensemble.

Council Announces Rule Revisions

The Student Council and the Administration have come to an agreement on revisions in school rules and regulations. The following revisions will go into effect in September.

1. All students may date one hour after the conclusion of formal dances within the immediate campus of the college.

2. All students may walk to the Tastee Freeze any afternoon and return by 6:00 p.m.

3. All students may go to the Hill Top Skating Rink in groups of at least eight students any afternoon, Saturday evenings or week nights by taking a study cut.

4. Students must not sit in parked cars within the limits of Farmville.

5. All students may visit one or more Hampden-Sydney fraternity houses when chaperoned and with invitation for special occasions sent through the office of the Dean of Women.

6. All students may go to the lakes in groups of four or two couples by signing out in their respective buildings.

7. If a student is married during the session, she must have permission from her parents prior to the event and her parents must report in writing to the Dean of Women that such permission has been granted.

8. Freshmen and sophomores may attend drive-in movies by returning at 10:00 p.m. on week nights and 10:45 p.m. on week ends.

9. Freshmen and sophomores must be on campus by 10:00 p.m. on week nights and 10:45 p.m. on week ends when signing out for the afternoon and-or evening or for a drive-in movie.

10. Freshmen and sophomores may sit on benches with or without dates until 9:45 p.m. during the entire year.

11. Freshmen and sophomores may entertain their dates in the Main "Rec" and in their respective parlors on Saturday and Sunday nights until 11:45 p.m. They may entertain their dates in the main "Rec" when attending a "Rec Dance" until 11:45 p.m.

12. Juniors and seniors must be on campus by 10:45 on week nights.

13. Juniors and seniors must be on campus by 11:45 p.m. on week ends when signing out for afternoon and-or evening or for a drive-in movie.

14. Juniors and seniors may sit on the campus in front of Cunningham Hall with or without dates until 11:45 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday nights and 10:45 p.m. on week nights.

Examination Schedule

Date	8:05 Period	1:05 Period
Sat., May 26	8:05 M W F or 8:05 M T W T F	Classes meeting at ease
Mon., May 28	9:05 M W F or 9:05 M T W T F	1:05 M W F
Tues., May 29	10:05 T T S	11:05 M W F or 11:05 M T W T F
Wed., May 30	11:05 T T S or T T	8:05 T T S
Thurs., May 31	10:05 M W F	2:05 M W F and 3:05 M W F
Fri., June 1	9:05 T T S	2:05 T T and 3:05 T T

Little Oscars Given To Student Actors

On Tuesday, May 8, the Litte Oscar winners were announced from the Longwood Players. They are: James Parker for his performance in "Ring Round the Moon", Anne Field Brooking for her performance in "Blood Wedding", and Russell Vass, a representative from Hampden-Sydney, for his many fine performances and his help both on stage and back stage here at Longwood. The third award was made for the first time this year.

Jimmy Parker, a Senior at Longwood from Farmville, has participated in many plays during his college career. He became a member of the Longwood Players his Freshman year and was taken into Alpha Psi Omega, honorary dramatic fraternity, his Sophomore year. Jimmy has appeared in such plays as "Death Takes a Holiday", "Angel Street", "Romeo and Juliet", "Dark of the Moon," "Blithe Spirit," "Ring Round the Moon", "Blood Wedding," and many others. In his Junior year he directed the one-act play "Wind of the Moors;" this year as a student-teaching project he directed the Senior High School play, "Our Hearts Were Young and Gay."

He believes his most challenging role was Preacher Haggler in

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Crowded Condition

An appeal has recently been made to the students to cooperate with the adminstration in its decision to attempt to meet the growing need for college graduates and particularly professional teachers. Cooperation in this capacity would involve doubling up in the dormitory space available on the part of freshmen and sophomores, therfore allowing space for additional applicants to Longwood next year.

The decision to admit additional students despite a crowded school was made after a thorough study of the consquences involved and the possible alternatives. A new dormitory has been planned and will be furnished as quickly as the work can be done. Were Longwood to deny entrance to all of those who applied after the quota had been met, the junior and senior classes a couple of years from now would be relatively small. It is obvious that there would then be a small group to provide leadership, preserve and stabilize the school spirit, and to meet the needs of the public schools upon graduation.

From another standpoint, Longwood could not afford to turn down applicants for a college education at a time when more and more interest and emphasis is being placed on attending college. A glance at the other state colleges would show that their intentions are in favor of admitting students far above and beyond their original capacity.

As an alternative to crowding the dormitories the administration has considered and investigated the possibility of housing students elsewhere in Farmville. The impracticability of this procedure is evident in view of the loss of unity and the prevailing spirit of fellowship of which Longwood is so proud which would undoubtedly occur. From the standpoint of finances the cost of renting additional dormitory space in town is almost prohibitive.

It would appear that the only other alternative would be to flatly deny entrance to the applicants the College cannot entirely comfortably accommodate.

The administration has shown itself willing to assure the comfort of students as far as it is possible in a crowded condition. New and adequate furniture will be provided to make the changes which must be made easier and less drastic.

The student reaction and actions have been favorable thus far and it is hoped that students will take the time to reflect upon and understand the situation and then accept it as being a temporary and necessary to uphold the spirit and the standards of Longwood and to meet the requirements of a growing and college conscious population.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Sisterly Support

On behalf of the Y. W. C. A. Cabinet, I would like to take this opportunity to urge each of you to sign up for a Freshman Little Sister. Every girl at Longwood is a member of the "Y," but one of the problems that the "Y" has always faced is that of finding ways in which everyone will participate in the work of the organization. Big Sister-Litle Sister could be a partial solution to this problem, for many Big Sisters are needed for next year. There will be an exceedingly large Freshman Class, but there will be twice as many upperclassmen. It is really a shame to ask one girl to take two Little Sisiters when there are enough Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors to have two Big Sisters for each Freshmen!

Since you have all now been persuaded to sign up, there is one further suggestion: don't just sign up to be a Big Sister — be one. When you get your card this summer telling you who your Little Sister is, please write to her. If you'll think back to your pre-Freshmen days, you will remember how nice it was to have one good friend waiting for you at college. Write to her, and go to see her when you get to school. Be a good friend, as well as a Big Sister.

The Big Sister-Little Sister lists are posted on the "Y" Bulletin Board. You can sign on either list: Preferred Little Sister or No Preference. Please be sure to give your summer address so that I will be able to reach you. Support the Y. W. C. A. and support Longwood — sign up for a Little Sister!

Lucia Hart
Big Sister—Little Sister Chairman, YWCA

Last Will and Testament To Leave Behind The Fondest Possessions Seniors Can Find

by JACKIE MARSHALL

This is the end! The inevitable, anticipated and bemoaned conclusion of an academic year has arrived whereupon freshmen leave with fond thoughts of their future college years; sophomores gleefully leave the main building, childishly ignorant of the oncoming agony of the 15 million steps and desolation of Junior building; juniors leave with sophisticated realization of impending seniority. The seniors completely leave this whole business of which they have been a vital part for four years and become alumnae which is a state of being I prefer to totaly ignore at present.

Yes, they leave a "home" when they graduate. To whom do they leave it? To you, the student body of Longwood. The fondest tangible or intangible possession of a senior is the thing that she wishes to pass on to her successor. In my careful observations I have decided to make out a representative will of the Senior Class. It is mildly illegal, but I have found during my four year seige here that the practice of the mildly illegal is one of the greatest joys to be experienced. Therefore, I hereby begin—read on, successors and heirs.

Jane Blake Lawrence leaves her thimble, chicken-cage, old moth-eaten coat, and sinus pills to Sandra Dyer because she, too, is a long-haired witch.

Ann Brooking leaves her large activity files to the '57 Chi to nourish their annual spring fire with.

"Baby" Carter leaves her long, lanky frame (she'll be a beautiful skeleton) to Fran McLoughlin—just for kicks.

Patsy Abernathy Rice leaves May Court, the dell, and the "Theat-uh" to any beauty who can grace the college as she has.

Carolyn Gray leaves her remarkable ability to gracefully sprawl all over the floor in creative dance to Loretta Kuhn. (You got it—whatcha gonna do with it, Khunie?

Patsy Hamner leaves her judo holds to Mrs. Eastham who may apply them on promiscuous dates in the parlor.

Gail Leonard leaves her bills, class cuts, and coffee nerves to Linda Garrison. (every good editor should have them.)

Georgia Jackson leaves her size 10 shoes to Longwood Players to be filled and used as weights; her pony tail to Nancy Lenz; and her resonant voice is left to echo through the halls 'til another dares claim its place.

Phyllis Nurney leaves her tear glands to the science department, her classic profile to Weedie Norman and her raincoat, secretarial abilities, and boredom to the FTA.

Dottie Rector leaves the footlights, the make up, the trials and the tribulations of a director to Flo Sogholan—out, out bright candle!

Lou Wilder leaves her capable leadership and place at the head table to Nancy Lea Harris, (her appetite, she takes with her), her blazer to the Hall of Fame and her ugly pills to the ugly!

Helen Warriner leaves her position on the annual staff (what's it) to "Mooch" Stoneman with hopes of producing an equally terrific book.

Betsy Welbon leaves everything to the greedy while she dashes madly off to a new world of cooking, cleaning and collecting violins.

All of us leave our best wishes to the Longwood student body. I selfishly leave only one thing and I regretfully leave even that—I leave you.

CHURCH NEWS

By MARGARET NEWTON

Presbyterian

Union Vespers were held at the Presbyterian Church May 13. Union Fellowship followed the evening church services in the lecture room of the church.

The Westminster Fellowship will meet at the home of the Reverend Kennedy Friday, May 18, at 7:30 p. m.

Reverend Kennedy will hold a Communion Service at 7:00 p. m. on Sunday, May 20. Frances Rosenkrans will be in charge of the program for May 27.

Episcopalian

Officers for 1956-57 Canterbury Club were elected during the May 6 meeting. They are, Larry Whitten, president; Bob Wayland and Anne Caldwell, vice-presidents; Linda Allen, secretary; and Pat Farrington, treasurer. The installation of these officers will be on May 20.

The Canterbury Club visited St. Ann's Church in Appomattox May 13. After the service, the members went to Willis Mountain for an afternoon picnic.

Baptist

The evening program May 20 will honor the senior members of the Baptist Student Union.

Plans for a pre-school retreat to be held in the fall are underway.

During the summer, news of summer activities will be collected from B. S. U. members,mimeographed, and mailed to each of the Baptist students.

Methodist

The Wesley Foundation Council retreat was held May 11-13 at Grand View on the Chesapeake Bay, near Hampton. During the retreat, plans were made for activities for the coming year.

Foster and Miller

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there was the only girl winner of the six to whom the 4-H awarded $300 scholarships.

On an all-expense paid trip she was flown to New York to appear on the Westinghouse television program, Studio I. Also that year she was one of 60 college freshmen to attend Camp Miniwanka in Michigan, representing Longwood.

Last year Mary Ann served as recreational leader at Camp Summers in West Virginia and went to the Congress again as a sectional winner representing several states.

The special camp that Mary Ann will attend this summer will help to bring 4-H achievements to national attention. The delegates, two boys and two girls from each state, will wear special uniforms and will take part in many events while in Washington.

In addition to serving as president of the Junior Class next year, Mary Ann is the new treasurer for the Y. W. C. A. She is a member of the Future Business Leaders of America and is president of the Baptist Student Training Union. She is a member of the Cotillion Club and Theta Sigma Upsilon social sorority.

Mary Ann plans to teach business education after completing college and also hopes to serve as a 4-H leader.

Rubinette, from Forest, where she attended New London Academy, is a Home Economics major. She will attend the interdenominational Christian leadership training camp at Muskegon, Michigan this summer. She was chosen to attend this camp on her 4-H leadership qualities. One boy and one girl are chosen from each state every year to attend this all-expense paid trip which is sponsored by the Danforth Foundation.

In her 4-H achievements Rubinette won All-Star in 1953 and the following year won the Elgin watch for state leadership. She has participated in camp counseling and has appeared on television to give demonstrations and talks. Last year she, too, won a trip to th National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago.

Rubinette is vice-president of the Wesley Foundation and is a member of the Home Economics Club and the Granddaughters Club. She belongs to Theta Sigma Upsilon social sorority.

After graduation Rubinette will do Home Demonstration wark and field extension work.

FAREWELL TO THEE

SOCIAL NOTES

By VIOLET MARSHALL

On a warm spring night in the middle of May,
Carl North to Ann DeAlba had something to say.
In talking about the future plans of his life,
With a ring he asked her to be his wife.

Rose Sniegon with much happiness is glowing,
For a beautiful ring on her hand she is showing.
Walter Philbates is now her only beau.
Wishes of the best to the two go.

The music must have been entrancing
While Gayle Peoples and Bill Shiner were dancing.
For now sitting on her finger so bold
Is a Tech miniature shiny red and gold.

Fay Salmon is thrilled from head to toe.
For she has a Phi Gamma Phi pin to show.
At Emory and Henry are all of her dreams,
Jimmy Wyatt fits perfectly into her love schemes.

"Yes, I have a Delta Sigma Phi pin"
From Bob Lominack said Boots Nelson with a big grim.
"Best wishes to you, Boots," is my reply,
"And may much happiness be yours as the days go by."

A Kappa Sig pin has Carolyn Ward,
She has reached the goal she's been working toward.
Butch Fronfelter is very near, you see ,
For he is a sophomore at Hampden-Sydney.

"Moonlight and V. P. I." assuredly was the song,
That thrilled and delighted the happy throng.
The uniforms and formals were certainly demure,
As they walked on the floor in the Tech ring figure.

Those attending the dances were: Becky Fizer, Mary Ann Foster, Joanne Funai, Joyce Sedivy, Mary Stewart Sisson, Margaret Beavers, Nancy Richardson, Norma Reamy, Judy Eckstrom, Joan Higgie, Margaret Hudnall, Ann Thomas, Ann Schular, Cass Conner, Betty Griggs, Mary Lou James, June Baggs, Lou Gwyn Roark, Winona Payne, and Elba Flynn. Patti Billups and Ann Woodhouse attended the parties.

To other schools Longwood girls went off for a fling.
And soon fraternity parties were in full swing.

Attending parties at U. of Va. were: Jean Parrott, Nancy Cousins, Ann Wheeler, Myra Jean Drummond, Sue Upson, Sandra Scruggs, John Lohr, Della Higgins, Vann Thacker, Wayne Boyden, and Lynne McDade.

Those seen having a good time at the University of Richmond were: Jacque Trader and Suzie Barr.

Those who atended the S A E's cabin party in Roanoke were Betty Jean Spruhan, Betty Burks Keith and Gretchen Lemon.

The Sigma Chi's combo party at H-S. offered an enjoyable evening for those who attended this week end: Carol Carson, Jacque Deitz, Jean Eilers, Roberta Hamlet, Diane Hansen, Peggy Harris, Lynne Higginbotham, Shelby Johnson, "Bootsie" Miller, Jane Moore, Cat Ozmon, Sallie Parrott, Barbara Purks, Judy Rawls, and Pattie Roach.

Two weekends ago girls again went away,
To attend dances and parties so gay.

Highlighting the week end at William and Mary was the annual Southern Ball given by the K. A.'s. Janet Lloyd attended and had a grand time.

Others who attended fraternity parties there were: Nancy Drudge, "Aggie" Lowry and Jo Lynn Holland.

Becky Fizer and Sarah Whitehead journeyed to Tech to spend a weekend.

Jean Parrott, Ginger Ingram, and Judy Harris attended fraternity parties at U. Va.

The Kappa Sigs at H-S had a combo party which was enjoyed by all who attended. Those seen listening and dancing to the music were: Emily Atkinson, Cass Connor, Joanne Farless, Ann Hancock, Peggy Harris, Sarah Hastings, Christie Hulvey, Betty Ray Lazenby, Bettye Mass, Julie Moncure, Bonnie Moore, Mary Sue Owens, Cat Ozmon, Mary Talbot Parker, Flo Pollard, Barbara Purks, George Ann Reynolds, Sandra Scruggs, Sue Upson, Carolyn Ward, and Hardy Williams.

This summer I hope you have lots of fun.
I know it will be an eventful one.
Please come back with news galore.
So I can fill two columns and maybe some more!